
MARCH 10, 1808.

Read the first and second time, and ordered to be referred to the committee appointed on the twenty-seventh of October last, on so much of the message from the president of the United States as relates to the military and naval establishments.

An Act,

For raising an additional military force.

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1 Sec. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That in
3 addition to the present military establishment of the United States,
4 there be raised five regiments of infantry, one regiment of riflemen,
5 one regiment of light artillery, and one regiment of cavalry, to be
6 enlisted for the term of five years, unless sooner discharged.

1 Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the said regiments of in-
2 fantry, riflemen, and artillery, shall consist of ten companies each,
3 and the regiment of cavalry, of eight companies; and the field and
4 staff officers of each regiment, of one lieutenant colonel comman-
5 dant, two majors, one adjutant, one quarter master, one pay master,
6 one surgeon, one surgeon's mate, one sergeant major, one quarter

7 master sergeant, two principal musicians, and for the regiment of
 8 cavalry, one riding master; each company of infantry and riflemen,
 9 to consist of one captain, one first and one second lieutenant, one en-
 10 sign, two cadets, four sergeants, four corporals, two musicians, and
 11 sixty-eight privates; each company of artillery, of one captain, one
 12 first and one second lieutenant, two cadets, four sergeants, four
 13 corporals, two musicians, eight artificers, and fifty-eight privates:
 14 and each company of cavalry, of one captain, one first and one
 15 second lieutenant, two cadets, four sergeants four corporals, two
 16 musicians, one saddler, one farrier, and thirty-eight privates.

1 Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That when, in the opinion of
 2 the president of the United States, a suitable proportion of the
 3 troops authorized by this act, shall be raised, there may be
 4 appointed two additional brigadier generals, who shall be enti-
 5 tled to one aid-de-camp each, to be taken from the line; two
 6 brigade inspectors, and two brigade quarter masters; and such
 7 number of hospital surgeons and surgeon's mates as the service
 8 may require, but not exceeding five surgeons and fifteen mates,
 9 with one steward, and one ward master, to each hospital; the
 10 brigade inspectors appointed under this act, shall be taken from
 11 the line; and the brigade quarter masters, the adjutants, regimental
 12 quarter masters, and pay masters, from the subalterns of the line.

1 Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the compensation of the
 2 officers, cadets, non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers, and
 3 privates, authorized by this act, shall be, viz. to each brigadier
 4 general, one hundred and four dollars per month. twelve rations per

5 day, or an equivalent in money, and sixteen dollars per month, for
 6 forage when not furnished by the public; each brigade inspector,
 7 thirty dollars per month, in addition to his pay in the line; each
 8 brigade quarter master, twenty dollars, and each regimental quar-
 9 ter master and paymaster, ten dollars per month, in addition to
 10 their pay in the line, and to each, six dollars per month for forage
 11 when not furnished as aforesaid; each hospital surgeon, seventy-
 12 five dollars per month, six rations per day, or an equivalent in mo-
 13 ney, and twelve dollars per month for forage when not furnished
 14 as aforesaid; each hospital surgeon's mate, forty dollars per month,
 15 two rations per day, or an equivalent in money, and six dollars per
 16 month for forage when not furnished as aforesaid; each hospital
 17 steward, twenty dollars per month, and two rations per day, or an
 18 equivalent in money; each ward master sixteen dollars per month,
 19 and two rations per day, or an equivalent in money; each captain
 20 of cavalry, forty dollars per month, three rations per day, or an
 21 equivalent in money, and eight dollars per month for forage when
 22 not furnished as aforesaid; each first lieutenant of cavalry, thirty
 23 dollars per month, and each second lieutenant, twenty dollars per
 24 month, two rations per day, or an equivalent in money, and six dol-
 25 lars per month for forage when not furnished as aforesaid; the
 26 riding master, twenty dollars per month, and two rations per day,
 27 or an equivalent in money; each saddler and farrier, ten dollars per
 28 month, one ration per day, and a suit of uniform clothing annually;
 29 and that the lieutenant colonel commandant shall receive the like
 30 pay and emoluments as a colonel; all other officers, cadets, non-

31 commissioned officers, musicians, artificers and privates, authorized
 32 by this act, shall receive the like pay, clothing, rations, forage, and
 33 other emoluments, as the officers, cadets, non-commissioned officers,
 34 musicians, artificers, and privates of the present military establish-
 35 ment.

1 Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the officers, cadets, non-
 2 commissioned officers, musicians, artificers, and privates, raised
 3 pursuant to this act, shall be entitled to the like compensation in
 4 case of disability by wounds, or otherwise, incurred in the service,
 5 as the officers, cadets, non-commissioned officers, musicians, arti-
 6 ficers and privates, in the present military establishment, and with
 7 them shall be subject to the rules and articles of war which have
 8 been established, or may hereafter, by law, be established; and that
 9 the provisions of the act, entitled “ An act fixing the military peace
 10 establishment of the United States,” relative to the widow, child,
 11 or children of any commissioned officer, who shall die, while in the
 12 service of the United States, by reason of any wound received
 13 in actual service of the United States; to courts martial; the
 14 regulation and compensation of recruiting officers; the age, size,
 15 qualifications and bounties of recruits; arrears of pay; the bonds
 16 and duties of pay-masters; penalties for desertion; punishment of
 17 persons who shall procure or entice any soldier to desert, or shall
 18 purchase from any soldier, his arms, uniform clothing, or any part
 19 thereof; and the punishment of any commanding officer of any
 20 ship or vessel who shall receive on board of his ship or vessel, as
 21 one of his crew, knowing him to have deserted, or otherwise carry

23 away any such soldier, or shall refuse to deliver him up to the or-
 24 ders of his commanding officer ; to the oath or affirmation to be taken
 25 and subscribed by officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians,
 26 and privates; to the allowance for extra expense to any commissi-
 27 oned officer in travelling and sitting on general courts martial ; to
 28 arrests of non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates for
 29 debts; to the allowance to soldiers discharged from service, ex-
 30 cept by way of punishment, shall be in force, and apply to all per-
 31 sons, matters and things, within the intent and meaning of this act,
 32 in the same manner as if they were inserted at large in the same.

1 Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the subsistence of the
 2 officers of the army, when not received in kind, shall be estimated
 3 at twenty five cents per ration.

1 Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the president of the United
 2 States be, and he is hereby authorized, if he should deem it expe-
 3 dient, to increase each company of infantry and riflemen, to one
 4 hundred privates, and each company of cavalry to sixty four pri-
 5 vates, and, in the recess of the senate, the president of the United
 6 States is hereby authorized to appoint all, or any of the officers,
 7 other than the general officers proper to be appointed under this
 8 act, which appointments shall be submitted to the senate at the
 9 next session for their advice and consent.

March 9, 1808.

Read the third time and passed the senate.

Attest,

SAMUEL A. OTIS, *Secretary.*